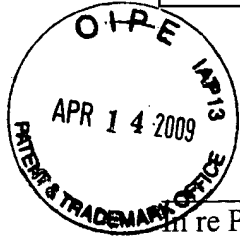


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Madam:

In response to the requirement for restriction mailed, March 30, 2009, applicant hereby elects invention Group I (claims 1-9).

Applicant's election is made without prejudice.

A prompt official action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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